



Clallam County Fairgrounds Parks, Fair & Facilities Department

1608 W. 16th Street
Port Angeles, WA 98363

CLALLAM COUNTY FAIR ADVISORY BOARD Minutes of February 2, 2022 Regular Meeting - VIA ZOOM

Name	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Position
Baxley, Roxi		-											At-Large
Mowbray, Julie	N	X											Large Animals and FFA
Beckstrom, Teresa	O	X											Agriculture At-Large
Clark, Bob		-											Grange
Davies, Laurie	M	X											Horse Groups
Edwards, Don	E	-											At-Large
Martin, Cheryl	E	X											Home Arts/Hobbies & Crafts
Johnson, Carol	T	X											Port Angeles Chamber
Borte, Josh	I	X											City of Port Angeles
Offermann, Barbara	N	X											Garden Clubs
West, Tara	G	X											Small Animals
Carpenter, Leslie		X											<i>Secretary</i> , Sequim/Dungeness
Greer, Melanie		X											Arts/Photography
Wilson, LaDona		X											<i>Vice-President</i> , 4-H Homemakers
Winn, George		X											West End

Guests Present:	
Staff Present	Shari Ioffrida
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Shari Ioffrida.
Quorum	Yes Introduction of new Board members.
Request for Modification / Approval of Minutes	Laurie Davies approved as 4-H/FFA Building ("Still Life") Superintendent. Unanimously approved in vote.
Public Comment on Agenda Items	None
Committee Reports	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Advertising: Shari noted that an ad was placed in the high school sports posters / handouts. Street banner space has been reserved. A "thank you" ad placed in the "Best Of" 1st Place Festival tab insert. Camping and Parking: Shari said that the outside camping areas were cleaned up and cleared, creating more spaces. A new chain link fence was installed around the outside camping area (east side and along 16th Street). Hospitality: None.

	<p>4. <u>Information Booth</u>: None.</p> <p>5. <u>Livestock Auction</u>: Teresa Beckstrom: PNWJLA board has been meeting. There are new families involved.</p> <p>6. <u>4-H</u>: Melanie Greer said 4-H enrollment is low and families are waiting to see what happens with covid. Vaccination requirements seem to have much to do with hesitation to re-enroll for volunteers. Medical or Religious exemptions an involved process going way up the ladder. Medical ones signed off by doctors and religious ones go before an entire committee for review. She also announced the Livestock Specialist position, and what to expect from that position.</p> <p>7. <u>Royalty</u>: Laurie Davies: 2022 Clallam County Fair Royalty regarding the 2022 Queen, and new to the program, Queen's Court. Allison Pettit is the 2022 Queen. She is a 16-year-old sophomore at Port Angeles High School. Her parents are Pete and Michele Pettit and her sponsor is Hermann Brothers Logging & Construction, Inc. Allison has participated at the Clallam County Fair and she is currently a 4-H member in Silver Spurs 4-H Club with her project being poultry. She enjoys fishing, writing short stories and poems, and riding her quad with family and friends. Allison is a member of NJROTC and the Air Rifle Team. She is in the Port Angeles High School Orchestra. Her school plans are to enroll at Peninsula College in the running start program. After receiving her AA, she plans to enroll at WSU to become a livestock and large animal veterinarian. Allison's platform is Healthy Families of Clallam County. Our Queen's Court for 2022 is Sophia Lawson. Sophia is a 14-year-old 8th grade student at Sequim Middle School. Her parents are Marc and Elizabeth Lawson and her sponsors are Chicken & Egg Farm Fresh Eggs and Loop N Stitch. Sophia has lived in Clallam County all her life and she has been involved in the Clallam County Fair 4-H program. She was 4-H Junior Royalty for one year. Sophia enjoys playing on the varsity volleyball team at Sequim Middle School. Her hobbies are drawing, tennis, fishing and camping. Her future educational plans after high school are to receive a degree that will allow her to work with animals. Sophia loves the Fair and is excited to represent the Fair.</p>
Special Committee Reports	1. Fair Kitchen : None
Unfinished Business	None
New Business	Discussion about officer elections: LaDona (Vice President) will serve as President; Leslie will continue as Secretary. Carol nominated, and voted in as Vice President.
Staff Reports	Manager's Report : Shari Ioffrida:

	<p><u>Department Update:</u> Hannah, Parks Supervisor, left the County. Tim, Maintenance, is leaving. Now hiring replacements.</p> <p><u>Sponsorship:</u> Shari noted that we received sponsorship money from Wilder Auto. She is pursuing other sponsors, and following up with past sponsors.</p> <p><u>WSDA Annual Report:</u> Shari has been working on the Washington State Department of Agricultural Annual Report for Fair Funding. It's due February 15. Funding should be distributed in either April or May.</p> <p><u>Superintendents:</u> Still need Superintendents for Photography and possibly the Art Barn. The Llamas and Alpacas are not returning this year.</p> <p><u>Upcoming Events:</u> Just had the Royalty Coronation. No events scheduled until April.</p> <p><u>Projects:</u> Shari stated that they have been very busy working on major projects: (1) major review and edit of the Fair Master Plan; (2) major review and edit of the Fair Policies & Procedures Manual (and whole department); (3) Fair Fee Schedule that will be submitted to the Board of Commissioners this month; (4) review of all other forms and documents; (5) possible re-haul of the Fair website; and (6) lots of other things!</p> <p><u>Event Planning:</u> Besides the usual events that are typically scheduled, Shari has been working on bringing some new events to the fairgrounds: (1) starting a Sportsman (RV/Boat) show; (2) working with the Juan de Fuca Festival on concerts and/or bringing part of the festival here; (3) working on moving the NPBA Annual Builders, Remodeling & Energy Expo here; (4) BRNW (Bicycle Riders Northwest) a "regional" bicycle club has already reserved dates (300-350 participants); (4) Wilder Baseball 4th of July Baseball Tournament camping; and (5) Lincoln Park BMX races – camping.</p>
Other Items	<p>From Shari:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>2022 Fair:</u> Fair planning discussed. Surveyed 2019 Fair vendors, 6 or 7 months ago, about returning in 2022. Good percentage said "yes"; others said it depends on status of covid. Out of 26 Food Vendors in 2019, 20 said "yes" to returning, 1 retired, 1 went out of business. She has been receiving inquiries from new, potential vendors. 2. <u>Grandstand Entertainment:</u> Discussion about a Grandstand Concert on Friday night – welcome back after two years without Fair. Shari has extensively researched entertainment and a company to provide a stage, sound & lighting. Board member concerns over taking away entertainment on other stages the four days of Fair; one Board member mentioned the crowded midways

	<p>Friday night when a concert was held. Josh has a connection at the City for a possible act that would be a bigger name draw.</p> <p>3. <u>Beer Garden</u>: Discussion about a beer garden. Some individuals and a non-profit group are interested. A non-profit group is a good way to go. There is an upcoming meeting with the non-profit group. Nice to offer something new to fairgoers since no Fair for two years. Spoke about Special Committee that did extensive research in the past. Location of the beer garden was discussed at length ("under" Grandstands, Merchants Annex, others?). Comments were stopped because of length and the Board voted to continue pursuing the beer garden and location.</p> <p>4. <u>Fair Board Special Committee Sign Up</u>: Tabled until next meeting.</p> <p>5. <u>Fair Sponsorship</u>: Help is always welcome regarding sponsorship.</p>
Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items	None
Adjournment	George Winn moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Teresa Beckstrom. Vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Carpenter
Secretary